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Annual Tours for Tots at U of M Crookston Scheduled for April 13-21, 2011

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Children ages 3 and up can explore the world of agriculture and farm animals during the University of Minnesota, Crookston Tours for Tots program beginning Wednesday, April 13 and running through Thursday, April 21, 2011. The tours, recommended for children ages 4 -7 years old, will take children to visit the beef and sheep barn, horse stable and arena, the dairy cattle barn, and the greenhouse. Groups of 5 or more with adult supervision are best suited to the tours. Contact Amy Lubarski at lubarski@umn.edu to schedule a tour time by April 8.

Tours will run daily with the exception of Saturday and Sunday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday tours will be offered from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. Each stop takes about 20 minutes with the entire tour lasting 1 hour. U of M, Crookston students in the Introduction to Animal Science class will provide hands-on learning activities at each stop, allowing for additional activities to be added to this year's program.

Children have the chance to see and interact with animals. In the greenhouse, children will see the wide variety of plants that are grown and view research areas along the way. Tours for Tots is sponsored by the Agriculture and Natural Resources Department at the U of M, Crookston.

Today the University of Minnesota, Crookston delivers 29 bachelor's degree programs, 18 minors, and more than 40 concentrations, including several online degrees, in the areas of agriculture and natural resources; business; liberal arts and education; and math, science and technology. With an enrollment of about 1,400 undergraduates from more than 25 countries and 40 states, the Crookston campus offers a supportive, close-knit atmosphere that leads to a prestigious University of Minnesota degree. "Small Campus. Big Degree." To learn more, visit www.umcrookston.edu.

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